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SUBJ: PROPOSED GOVERNMENT COMPLEX IN SANA

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1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN ABLE TO LEARN FOLLOWING CONCERNING PROPOSED
YARG BUILDING COMPLEX MENTIONED REFTELS:

A. YARG THROUGH CENTRAL PLANNING OFFICE WILL PUBLIC OFFER
INVITING TENDERS IN "WEEK OR TWO."

B. TENTATIVE PLAN ENVISAGES ABOUT 19 RPT 19 BUILDINGS ON
SITE ONE KILOMETER BY 1 AND ONE HALF KILOMETERS AT SOUTHERN EDGE OF
SANA ON GOVERNMENT OWNED LAND.

C. BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES (MOST OF WHICH TO BE TWO OR THREE
STORES) WOULD INCLUDE: PRESIDENTIAL RESIDENCE, PM'S OFFICE,
PARLIAMENTARY BUILDING, CULTURAL CENTER, NATIONAL MUSEUM, COMPUTER
AND
RESEARCH CENTER, SHOPPING CENTER, BUS TERMINAL, POLICE AND FIRE
STATION
POWER PLANT, STRUCTURE FOR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, SPORTS STADIUM,
AND INDIVIDUAL BUILDINGS FOR MOST GOVERNMENT MINISTRIES. YEMENIS
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HAVE LITTLE MORE THAN BASIC IDEA AND ROUGH SKETCH OF GENERAL
LAY OUT. FIRM WHICH DOES DESIGN FOR YARG WILL HAVE CONSIDERABLE
FREEDOM BUT NEVERTHELESS HAVE TO ADAPT ITS DESIGN TO LIMITED
FINANCIAL RESOURCES, SKILLS IN CONSTRUCTION, AVAILABILITY OF
MATERIALS
GOVERNMENT PRIORITIES, ETC.

D. WHEN PLAN OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED IN WEEK OR TWO, BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM ANY FIRM WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN FIRST STAGE OF PROPOSAL WHICH IS TO DESIGN A MASTER PLAN FOR YARG INCORPORATING VARIOUS ELEMENTS DESCRIBED ABOVE. ACCORDING TO CENTRAL PLANNING OFFICE EMPLOYEE, MONEY FOR THIS STAGE (\$200-\$400,000) HAS ALREADY BEEN BUDGETED. YARG WOULD HOPE TO RECEIVE THE PROPOSED MASTER PLANS IN ABOUT THREE MONTHS AFTER CONTRACT LET, AND MAKE DECISION ACCEPTING THE PLAN IN MAY OR JUNE 1977.

E. SECOND STAGE, I.E. DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF INDIVIDUAL ELEMENTS OF COMPLEX WOULD BEGIN AS SOON AS MASTER PLAN ACCEPTED. THIS WOULD TAKE PLACE ON PIECEMEAL BASIS, AS FINANCING, HOPEFULLY WITH FOREIGN ASSISTANCE BECOMES AVAILABLE.

2. AT PRESENT, ABOUT 19 FIRMS HAVE ASKED YARG TO BE ALLOWED TO BID ON FIRST STAGE. THIS NUMBER INCLUDES CRS DESIGN ASSOCIATES OF HOUSTON, S.S. MULLEN CONSTRUCTION OF KENT, WASHINGTON AND H.K. FERGUSON COMPANY OF CLEVELAND.

3. CPO OFFICIAL SAYS FIRST TASK OF COMPANY DESIGNING MASTER PLAN WILL BE TO INTEGRATE PLAN WITH OVERALL MASTER TOWN PLAN FOR SANA CURRENTLY BEING DESIGNED BY LOUIS BERGER ASSOCIATION, UNDER CONTRACT TO YARG. HE (AND EMBASSY) BELIEVE INTERESTED FIRMS WOULD DO WELL TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVE VISIT SANA AND TALK WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.
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4. BEST ADDRESS FOR MAIL INQUIRIES:
CENTRAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION
P.O. BOX 175
SANA, YEMEN
SUBJ: COMPLEX FOR GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS.

5. EMBASSY WILL FORWARD ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.
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